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REMARKS

The Office Action imposed a restriction by requiring that Applicants elect one of Group I (Claims 13, 14, 32 and 33), and Group II (Claims 30, 31, 34 and 35). Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group 1, i.e., Claims 13, 14, 32 and 33. Claims 30, 31, 34 and 35 are herein withdrawn. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue claims of at least the scope of the non-elected claims (i.e., claims 30, 31, 34 and 35) in one or more related Applications.

An early and favorable communication is hereby earnestly requested. If the Examiner believes, after this Response, that the Application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants Representative collect at (508) 616-9660, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this submission, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-3735.

Respectfully submitted,

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